

Resolution No. 2015-45
A Resolution Acknowledging the Contribution of Retired Police Chief

Eugene C. Petty

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2015; Retired New Castle City Chief of Police Eugene C. Petty received the Newark Chapter NAACP 2015 Lifetime Community Certificate at the 19th Annual Freedom Fund Awards; and

WHEREAS, In 1963 Mr. Petty began his career with the City as a part-time officer with the New Castle City Police (NCCPD), becoming a fulltime officer in 1964. Ret. Chief Petty quickly rose through the ranks of the police department, where he was ultimately promoted to Chief of Police by a unanimous vote in 1975; and

WHEREAS, During his NCCPD tenure of 25 years, Ret. Chief Petty worked a variety of assignments from administration to field. Most notable was the experience he gained in community policing, employee relations, and working directly with FBI Director George T. Quinn from the Baltimore Office. As a field commanding officer, then Chief Petty had the opportunity to lead a committed workforce in reducing overall crimes and improving the quality of life in the neighborhoods of New Castle City; and

WHEREAS: Ret. Chief Petty is a lifetime member of a number of organizations including the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Delaware State Chiefs of Police, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement (NOBLE), and was a boy scout leader for troop 505 for 25 years. Ret. Chief Petty was also crucial in the restoration of the Buttonwood Colored School Community Center & Museum to its original condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Members of Council desire to publicly acknowledge Ret. Chief of Police Eugene C. Petty's service to the City and acknowledge this well-deserved award, and that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Regular public meeting of The Mayor and Council of the City of New Castle.

PASSED this 13th day of October, 2015

Donald A. Reese, Mayor

Linda Ratchford, City Council President

John A. Di Mondì, Councilperson

Teel Petty, Councilperson

Theodore H. Megginson, Councilperson

Albert J. Vannucci, Jr., Councilperson

Attest:

Janet E. Wurtzel, City Clerk